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1. CHINA

UPI (TOKYO) REPORTS TENG HSIAO-PING TOLD VISITING RETIRED
JAPANESE DEFENSE PLANNERS 10/7 THAT PRC PLANS PURCHASE NEW
WEAPONS/INTRODUCE NEW TECHNOLOGY FROM OTHER COUNTRIES AS
PART OF PLA MODERNIZATION POLICY. ALTHOUGH TENG MENTIONED
NO TIMETABLE FOR PLANNED PURCHASES, ACCORDING KYODO, HE DID
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SAY PEKING WOULD SEEK LOANS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES TO CARRY
OUT MIL MODERNIZATION PROJECT. DURING MEETING, TENG ALSO
URGED JAPAN/WE/US BUILD UP THEIR OWN DEFENSES IN ORDER
DETER NEW WAR (NYT, WSTAR 10/8).

PRC-SOVIET HAVE REACHED ACCORD ON HEILUNG-USSURI NAVIGATION,
ACCORDING NCNA (WP'S MATHEWS, HK; GLOBE) AND TASS (NYT

10/8).

2. INDOCHINA

ARCHBISHOP OF SAIGON TOLD 9/29 SYNOD OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS THAT: VIETNAMESE CATHOLICS DETERMINED COEXIST W/COMMUNIST REGIME; PRIESTS MUST FIND WAY ADDRESS CONGREGATIONS STEEPED

IN COMMUNIST CONCEPTS; CHRISTIANS MUST PRESENT "NEW FACE," SINCE CHURCH ACCUSED OF HAVING BEEN INCOLLUSION W/ IMPERIALISM" IN PAST.

ARCHBISHOP NGUYEN BAN BINH ONE OF SEVERAL PRELATES FROM COMMUNIST COUNTRIES TO ADDRESS 6TH SYNOD AT VATICAN, BUT HIS ADDRESS ONE OF MOST DISCUSSED/CONTROVERSIAL OF SYNOD. HIS DECISION WORK W/IN POL SYSTEM IN VN HAS BLESSING OF POPE, BUT OPPOSED BY MORE CONSERVATIVE MEMBERS CHURCH (TANNER, NYT SPEC 10/10).

TWO VIETNAMESE WOMEN LIVING IN PARIS SAY US PRESENCE HASN'T LEFT VN; IT'S JUST CHANGED. AMERICANS MENTIONED DEROGATORILY IN SCHOOLBOOKS; US EMBASSY BLDG STILL STANDS GUARDED, ONLY NON-COMM EMB NOT TAKEN OVER BY VN AS LIVING QUARTERS; AMERICANS STILL FREQUENT CONTINENTAL HOTEL, BUT LOOK LIKE HIPPIES/DESSERTERS; PROPAGANDA DEMANDING WAR REPARATIONS CONSTANTLY HEARD OVER LOUD SPEAKERS IN HCM CITY; UNCLASSIFIED

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SOME PEOPLE TALK ABOUT US COMING BACK W/GUNS TO LIBERATE THEM.

WOMEN CONFIRMED RICE SHORTAGE, SAY SRV HAS STOPPED FORCED EMIGRATION TO COUNTRYSIDE; RESISTENCE GROWING; BRIBING IN GOLD/US DOLS CONTINUES; MOST PEOPLE UNEMPLOYED, BUT MUST ATTEND DAILY INDOCTRINATION SESSIONS/PERFORM VOLUNTEER WORK ON WKENDS; CHILDREN KEPT OUT OF SCHOOL, SINCE TAUGHT TO INFORM ON PARENTS (LAT UPI PARIS 10/7).

3. CAMBODIA/NK

ACCORDING KOREA CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY, CAMBODIA/NK HAVE SIGNED JOINT COMMUNIQUE, CAPPING POL POT'S 4-DAY PYONGYANG VISIT. CONTENTS OF DOCUMENT NOT DISCLOSED (WSTAR, UPI TOKYO 10/10).

4. KOREA

ROKG QUELLS STUDENT DISTURBANCE 10/7 AT SEOUL NATL UNIV. NYT (10/9) REPORTS SOME 1,000 STUDENTS DEMANDED DIRECT ELECTION OFFICERS TO STUDENT BODIES. REUTER (10/7)

STATES SKOREAN POLICE USED TEAR GAS TO EXPEL STUDENTS OCCUPYING AUDITORIUM IN PROTEST, AFTER UNIV AUTHORITIES W/DREW EARLIER PERMISSION FOR SOCIOLOGY FACULTY TO HOLD SYMPOSIUM ON NATIONALISM. UPI (NYT 10/8) CITES CAMPUS AUTONOMY/FREEDOM FOR IMPRISONED POL DISSIDENTS AS CAUSES FOR STUDENT UPRISINGS. SOME 300 RIOT POLICE INTERVENED; 6 STUDENTS TAKEN AWAY/1 INJURED IN 1ST CLASH. SOURCES SAID ABOUT 200 TOTAL BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN AWAY BY RIOT POLICE SQUAD.

ETHICS CMTE ANNOUNCES 1ST PUBLIC HEARING ON INFLUENCE-BUYING SCANDAL WILL BE HELD 10/19. IN RECENT STATUS REPORT TO CMTE, JAWORSKI SAID SIGNIFICANT NEW EVIDENCE UNCOVERED IN CASE (REUTER 10/7).
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ETHICS CMTE SUBPOENAS O'NEILL'S RENT RECORDS IN INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGATION SPKR'S RENT IN WASHINGTON PAID BY TONGSUN PARK. SUBPOENA REQUEST MADE BY JAWORSKI/ALLEGATION'S DETAILS NOT MADE PUBLIC. O'NEILL'S OFFICE CALLED CHARGE "RIDICULOUS"/SAID SPKR GATHERING CANCELLED RENT CHECKS FOR CMTE'S INSPECTION (HALLORAN, NYT; AP, SUN; WP, ALL 10/8).

WP'S REID REPORTS SENATE SUBCMTE PREPARING LEGISLATION DESIGNED REQUIRE US INTELL AGENCIES WARN CONGRESS WHEN MEMBERS APPROACHED BY CLANDESTINE AGENTS OF FON GOVTS. LEGISLATION REFLECTS SUSPICION CIA KNEW ABOUT SKOREAN SCHEME IN EARLY '70S/FAILED WARN CONGRESS. MEANWHILE, 2 CONGRESSIONAL CMTE'S INVESTIGATE WHETHER CIA HAD EVIDENCE OF TIES BETW ROKG/TONGSUN PARK.

FINANCE MINISTRY SAYS SK PLANS OPERATE FOREX MART--PATTERNED AFTER SINGAPORE/HK--BEGINNING EARLY NEXT YR (AP, LAT 10/7).

WSTAR'S SARRO (10/10) NOTES TONGSUN PARK'S WASHINGTON HOME UP FOR SALE--AT 665,000 DOLS--FOR PAST 6 MOS BUT NO SERIOUS PROSPECTIVE BUYERS YET.

FROM LA, NYT'S VECSEY (10/10) DOES ITEM ON RAPIDLY-GROWING KOREAN CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY IN US, WHICH NOW HAS OVER 300 CHURCHES--1/3 OF WHICH IN S CALIF.

5. JAPAN

COUNCIL ON WAGE/PRICE STABILITY REPORT TO CARTER FINDS US STEEL INDUSTRY BESET BY SERIOUS PROBLEMS FOR LAST 20 YRS.
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SAYS MODERNIZATION UNDER CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES WILL DO LITTLE IMPROVE ITS COMPETITIVE POSITION, BECAUSE JAPANESE MFRS ENJOY SUBSTANTIAL ADVANTAGE IN CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION/LABOR COSTS. HOWEVER, REPORT STATES "NOTHING SUGGESTS" US STEEL INDUSTRY CANNOT COMPETE W/ JAPANESE IN US MKTS. PREDICTS COSTS/TRANSPORT CHARGES/ US' PREFERENCE FOR DOMESTIC GOODS WILL CUT INTO JAPAN'S CURRENT PRICE ADVANTAGE (ROWEN, WP 10/10; REUTER'S WALLACE, 10/7).

VISITING TOKYO LAST WK, ONTARIO PREMIER DAVIS/AIDES FACED SHARP CRITICISM DIRECTED AT CANADIAN WORKERS BY

JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN. MITSUI CHRMN HASHIMOTO TOLD GROUP CANADIAN LABOR FORCE OVERPAID/SHORT ON PRODUCTION/ INCLINED TO STRIKE. ADDED CANADA'S ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS TOO STRICT/US OFFERS BETTER INVESTMENT PROSPECTS. WHILE MANY CANADIAN LABOR/GOVT OFFICIALS ANGERED OVER REMARKS, OTHERS FELT JAPANESE COMMENTS RIGHT ON TARGET (TRUMBULL, NYT OTTAWA 10/8).

WSJ'S THARP REPORTS FINANCE ANALYSTS SEE RECENT YEN RISE ATTRIBUTABLE TO 3 MAIN FACTORS: (1) OVERSEAS SPECULATION BASED ON RUMORS OF US-JAPAN SECRET AGREEMENT FOR FURTHER UPWARD FLOAT OF YEN; (2) US FORECAST FOR 16-20 BIL DOL DEFICIT AS OPPOSED TO ORIGINAL EXPECTATIONS 10-12 BIL DOLS; (3) MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST'S SUGGESTION YEN WILL BE UNDERVALUED MORE THAN 10 PCT DURING NEXT YR. JAPANESE MONETARY OFFICIALS SAY SINGLY, THESE ITEMS WOULD MEAN LITTLE, BUT TOGETHER, MOST LIKELY ACCOUNT FOR 3 PCT RISE IN YEN IN LESS THAN 2 WKS.

BANK OF TOKYO CHIEF KASHIWAGI SAYS JAPAN ENDEAVORING PLAY ROLE IN WORLD ECON RECOVERY. CITES LOWER DISCOUNT RATE/ ADDITIONAL 7.8 BIL DOLS SLATED FOR PUBLIC WORKS, HOUSING LOANS. SAYS GOJ CONFIDENT NEW MEASURES WILL ENABLE JAPAN
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REACH PROMISED 6.7 PCT GROWTH RATE BY NEXT MARCH (UNSWORTH, JOC LONDON).

GUARDSMEN'S QTRS AT TOKYO'S NEW INTL AIRPORT FIRE BOMBED EARLY 10/9 BY STUDENT RADICAL GROUP, WHO FLED AFTER ATTACK. NO INJURIES REPORTED. OVER 8,000 DEMONSTRATORS RALLIED AT AIRPORT 10/9, SUPPORTING OPPOSITION TO ITS

OPENING LATER THIS YR (WSTAR 10/10).

RAFFAELE (WP'S "PARADE" MAG 10/9) DOES ITEM ON MISAKO ENOKI--LEADER JAPAN'S MILITANT WOMEN'S LIB GROUP, "PINK PANTHERS." REPORTS ENOKI HAS FORMALLY DISSOLVED 5-YR-OLD MOVEMENT AFTER DEFEAT ALL 10 PARTY CANDIDATES IN RECENT ELECTIONS.

START JAPANESE WHALING SEASON IN ANTARTIC DELAYED 10/10 BY CREWMEN'S STRIKE PROTESTING PLAN BY KYODO WHALING FIRM TO DISMISS 1/3 ITS 1,4500 WORKERS, DUE CUT IN JAPAN'S ANNUAL WHALE QUOTA (CSM).

6. SINGAPORE

PM LEE KUAN YEW HAD WIDE-RANGING DISCUSSION W/ PRES CARTER 10/6 ON BILATERAL MATTERS, US ROLE SEASIA. WH SPOKESMAN SAID QUESTION OF USSR DESIRE ESTABLISH NAVAL FACILITIES AT SINGAPORE DISCUSSED, BUT ONLY IN CONTEXT OF GROWING SOVIET PRESENCE IN REGION. CARTER STRESSED THAT US/USSR MOVED FROM COLD WAR ERA TO ONE IN WHICH ECON COMPETITION PARAMOUNT. SAID US REMAINS COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING STRONG MIL PRESENCE IN AISA/ TIES W/ASEAN. MAIN STRESS ON IMPORTANCE OF ECON DEVEL TO SECURITY IN AREA, SAYING IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN US ECON ACT IN SINGAPORE. 2 LEADERS MET PRIVATELY FOR 10 MIN BEFORE UNCLASSIFIED

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JOINED BY ADVISERS (REUTER, 10/6).

7. PHILIPPINES

AT LEGASPI RALLY 10/8, MARCOS SAID HE DID NOT WANT APPEAR "BEGGING FOR ALMS" BY VISITING US WHILE FUTURE US BASES OUTSTANDING ISSUE. SAID THIS TO EXPLAIN WHY HE SENT MESSAGE ON RELS W/ US TO PRES CARTER THRU WIFE/SPECIAL ENVOY, NOW LEADING PHILIPPINE DELEGATION TO UN (WPOST, REUTER MANILA 10/8).

RULES COVERING DEBT-TO-EQUITY PROPORTIONS OF FON-OWNED FIRMS IN PHILIPPINES RELAXED FOR SUBSIDIARIES OF FORD MOTOR/GEN MOTORS. ACCORDING COMTE SET UP TO ENFORCE RULES, RULES AIMED AT COS THAT INVESTED W/MINIMAL CAPITAL/BORROWED EVERYTHING THEY COULD/REMITTED ALL PROFIT THEY COULD MAKE (WSJ SPECIAL, MANILA).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

8. INDONESIA

AP (JAKARTA 10/7) NOTES VOICES OF STUDENT DEMONSTRATORS BEING HEARD AGAIN IN INDONESIA AFTER 3 YRS RELATIVE QUIET ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES. NO MAJOR INCIDENT REPORTED, BUT FEELS SUHARTO CLEARLY TAKING STUDENTS SERIOUSLY SINCE, IN PAST, THEY HAVE HELPED ALTER INDONESIAN HISTORY (LAT).

9. BURMA

NYT'S KAMM DOES 3 FEATURES (10/8, 10/9, 10/10) ON LIFE IN BURMA. IN FIRST FROM RANGOON, SAYS MAJ POL SHAKE-UP UNDERWAY, BUT NE WIN POWERS APPEAR UNTHREATENED/ HOPES

DASHED THAT NE WIN'S DOCTRINE WILL BE LIBERALIZED;
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ALLOWING FOR BURMA'S ENTRY INTO INTL COMMUNITY AFTER 15 YRS ISOLATION. THO DEVELOPMENT CREDITS INCREASING/ RICE HARVEST GOOD, ECON CONTINUES STAGNATE/BLK MKT CONTINUES GROW. PRINCIPAL VICTIM SHAKEUP APPEARS BE GEN SAN YU AND THOSE LOYAL TO HIM. SHAKEUP SAID BE ORDERED BY NEW 9-MAN PARTY CMTE, CREATION OF WHICH AMOUNTED TO COUP BY PRES TO NEUTRALIZE PARTY HIERARCHY.

IN SECOND ARTICLE (FROM RANGOON), KAMM SAYS GUB HAS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED AMOUNT OPIUM GROWN IN "GOLDEN TRIANGLE," WHILE STRIKING HARD AT CARAVANS THAT CARRY IT TO MKT/REFINERIES THAT TURN IT INTO HEROIN. SAYS COOP BETWN BURMESE/THAI AUTHORITIES NON-EXISTENCE BECAUSE DIS-TRUST/STRAINED RELS--BURMESE OFFICIALS MAKE NO SECRET OF BELIEF THAI POLICE INVOLVED IN TRAFFICKING. US, W/MOST EXTENSIVE INTELLIGENCE NETWORK, ONLY MEANINGFUL LINK BETWN TWO COUNTRIES. SAYS US OFFICIALS GIVE BURMESE HIGHER MARKS FOR NON-INVOLVEMENT IN TRADE THAN THAIS. CLOSE LINK BETWN OPIUM/INSURGENCY BELIEVED MAIN REASON GUB ENDED LONG PERIOD TOLERANCE/TOOK DIPLO RISK OF ACCEPTING US AIRCRAFT TO FIGHT WAR AGAINST OPIUM.

IN 3RD ARTICLE, KAMM SAYS MANDALAY, UNLIKE RANGOON, MAINTAINS PACE OF CITY, ASPECT OF ASIA IN 1930'S; IS PRINCIPAL CENTER OF BUDDHIST LEARNING, PROUD OF ITS PAST AS SEAT OF BURMA'S KINGS, DISTRIBUTION CENTER OF LARGE AGRIC REGION, KEY ROAD/RAIL JUNCTION. MOREOVER, CENTER OF VAST BLK-MKT ECON. BURMA REC'S SMUGGLED GOODS FROM ALL NEIGHBORS/SMUGGLES ITS NATURAL RESOURCES OUT IN RETURN. ESTIMATED AT AS MUCH AS 2/3 BURMA'S OFFICIAL TRADE, MOST SMUGGLED GOODS PASS THRU MANDALAY, NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF CONVENIENT GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION, BUT ALSO BECAUSE OF ENTERPRISING MERCHANTS. SAYS MANDALAY'S COMMERCIAL LIFE
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FAR CRY FROM THAILAND'S CONSUMERISM. BUT BUSY SMALL SHOPS ARE KEEN CONTRAST TO BOARDED-UP SHOPS IN RANGOON. CONCLUDES PROBLEMS OF 2 CITIES SIMILAR, HOWEVER: TO MAKE LIVELIHOOD, PEOPLE FORCED STEAL FROM GOVT/POL APATHY PERVASIVE.

10. JAPAN

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LAVELLE(SUN 10/8) CRITICIZES US TRADE POLICIES. TALKS W/US STEEL ASST GENRL COUNSEL, WHO SAYS US COMPETING W/ CHEAP LABOR, GOVT SUBSIDIES IN JAPAN. SAYS USG "WILL NOT EVEN ENFORCE TRADE AGREEMENTS AGAINST DUMPING." LAVELLE NOTES CRITICS HAVE SAID US STEEL INDUSTRY INCAPABLE OF COMPETING IN FREE MKT, BUT OPINES MKT ISN'T REALLY FREE IF OVERSEAS GOVTS SUPPORT THEIR INDUSTRY/USG REFUSES DO SAME HERE.

KANDELL (NYT PARIS) SAYS JAPAN-FRANCE AGREEMENT ON NUKE FUEL REPROCESSING APPEARS MAJOR CHALLENGE TO PRES CARTER'S UPHILL CAMPAIGN AGAINST USING PLUTONIUM AS REACTOR FUEL. ADMIN OFFICIALS NOTE US WILL HAVE SOME CONTROL OVER AGREEMENT, AS JAPAN NEEDS US PERMISSION FOR EVERY SHIPMENT MADE TO FRENCH REPROCESSING PLANT. HOWEVER, OTHER OBSERVERS SAY FRANCO-JAPANESE AGREEMENT REPRESENTS LATEST STEP TAKEN BY US ALLIES TOWARDS PLUTONIUM-BASED ENERGY SOURCES--AGAINST CARTER'S WISHES.

11. KOREA

NYT'S MALCOLM (SEOUL) DOES STORY ON SK'S CAMPAIGN EMPHASIZE SELF DEFENSE. NOTES AT NATL DAY PARADE, MEDIA EMPHASIZED FACT WEAPONS DISPLAYED WERE MADE IN SK. MALCOLM STATES SK'S MOVE DEVELOP SUBSTANTIAL DEFENSE INDUSTRY BEGAN 2 YRS AGO, BUT UP UNTIL RECENTLY, SK STILL CONCENTRATED MORE ON BASIC CIVILIAN WORKS. CITES MIL EXPERTS WHO SAY NATION'S DEFENSE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS/ UNCLASSIFIED

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WEAPONS QUALITY CONTROL METHODS LEAVE MUCH TO BE DESIRED. ALSO, WHILE LITERACY HIGH, SKILLED TECHNICIANS TO OPERATE/MAINTAIN ADVANCED WEAPONS SYSTEMS IN SHORT SUPPLY. IN ORDER HELP REMEDY THIS SITUATION, MAJOR EXPANSION TECHNICAL JUNIOR COLLEGES UNDERWAY.

12. NEW GUINEA

SEIDEN DOES STORY (SUN 10/8 FROM GOROKO) ON INDEPENDENCE IN NEW GUINEA. FINDS WIDESPREAD LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR HOME RULE/LINGERING SENSE OF NOSTALGIA FOR COLONIAL GOVT. RANKING AUSTRALIAN OFFICIAL REPORTED AS SAYING "WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO SEE A LITTLE MORE ANTI-COLONIAL, NATIONALIST SPIRIT HERE;" SAYS BEST THING TO BE SAID FOR INDEPENDENCE IS "IT HASN'T CHANGED ANYTHING" NOTES ALTHO INDEPENDENT 2 YRS, COUNTRY STILL DEPENDS ON AUSSIE AID OF 200 MIL DOLS PER YR--40 PCT NATL BUDGET. ABOUT 24,000 AUSTRALIAN EXPATRIATES STILL CONTROL MOST BUSINESS, OWN MOST PLANTATIONS, REMAIN CONSPICUOUS THROUGHOUT GOVT.

13. CHINA

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD (HK 10/9) OBSERVES THAT WAGE INCREASES FOR CHINESE WORKERS IS ONE OF MOST FAR-REACHING/CONTROL-VERSIAL CHANGES NEW LEADERSHIP HAS UNDERTAKEN SINCE MAO'S DEATH/ARREST "GANG OF 4." NOTES ACTION RAISES CRITICAL QUESTIONS RE INFLATION, POSSIBLE DIVERTING INVESTMENT RESOURCES FROM OTHER IMPORTANT SECTORS OF ECONOMY, LIKELY WIDENING CITY-COUNTRYSIDE GAP. CONCLUDES THAT WHATEVER OUTCOME OF RAISES, THERE IS EVIDENCE PRC'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION HAS ALREADY BEGUN REBOUND FROM LAST YR'S POOR PERFORMANCE.

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SUN'S WU (HK) SEES CHAIRMAN HUA'S REOPENING CCP'S CENTRAL CMTE SCHOOL REFLECTING LEADERSHIP'S URGENT NEED TO RE-INTERPRET MAOIST DOCTRINE SUPPOSEDLY DISTORTED DURING DECADE OF POL DOMINATION BY "GANG OF 4."

IN 10/8 PIECE, WU NOTES DETAILS OF SINO-SOVIET HEILUNG- USSURI NAVIGATION AGREEMENT NOT KNOWN; BUT SAYS WHATEVER THE ACCORD, IT REPRESENTED SMALL DEGREE OF PROGRESS IN DIFFICULT PROCESS OF IMPROVING STATE-TO-STATE (AS OPPOSED TO PARTY-TO-PARTY) RELS BETWEEN THEM.

SALISBURY (NYT 10/9), IN HANGCHOW, NOTES THAT FOR FIRST TIME CITY'S INDUSTRIAL/POL LEADERS HAVE GIVEN DETAILED PICTURE OF MAGNITUDE OF ITS PROBLEMS DURING "GANG OF 4'S" FIGHT FOR NATIONAL LEADERSHIP. SAYS FROM EVIDENCE OF OTHER CHINESE SPOKESMAN, IT'S APPARENT THAT WHILE HANGCHOW WAS POSSIBLY HARDEST-HIT AREA, MANY MAJOR CHINESE CENTERS/ INDUSTRIES WERE SEVERELY AFFECTED BY LEFTISTS' EFFORT ATTAIN POWER. FINDS POL STRUGGLE'S VIRULENCE HAS HAD MAJOR IMPACT ON EVERY FIELD OF PRC ACTIVITY AND CONSTITUTES MAJOR PROBLEM FOR HUA/TENG IN TRYING GET COUNTRY MOVING FORWARD AGAIN.

WSJ EXECUTIVE EDITOR CONY/ASIAN PUBLISHER-EDITOR KANN, AT URUMCHI, SINKIANG, RECOUNT CAAC FLIGHT TO PEKING/TALKS WITH PASSENGERS. SAY FRIENDLY THOUGH THEY WERE, NEARLY ALL CHINESE PASSENGERS SHIED AWAY FROM GIVING ANY DETAILS OF THEIR BUSINESS "MISSIONS"; NEVERTHELESS, TRIP OFFERED SOME GLIMPSES INTO LIVES OF CHINESE CITIZENS OF MIXED BACKGROUNDS/OCCUPATIONS. NOTE SEATING WAS "DECIDELY INEGALITARIAN," BUT SERVICE APPEARED STANDARD THROUGHOUT PLANE.

IN WP 10/9 OPED PIECE, FORMER SEN MCCARTHY SAYS VANCE'S PRC TRIP SOUGHT TO ACCOMPLISH VERY LITTLE, EVIDENTLY ACCOMPLISHED EVEN LESS. CONTENTS CHINESE "ADDED TO MY UNCLASSIFIED

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DISAPPOINTMENT" LATER BY SAYING SINO-US RELS "WERE WORSE" AFTER VANCE MTG "THAN THEY HAD BEEN BEFORE."

SEN GOLDWATER (NYT OPED) ARGUES THAT ABROGATION US-ROC DEFENSE TREATY SHOULD REQUIRE CONGRESSIONAL OK--AND IF PRES SEEKS CONGRESS' APPROVAL "HE WILL NOT GET IT."

RBT BARNETT (WP OPED 10/8) HOLDS THAT FOR US TO TERMINATE MDT WITH TAIPEI WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE/WISE ACTION, EVEN IF NORMALIZATION WITH PEKING WERE NOT THE QUESTION.

TORONTO GLOBE AND MAIL'S MUNRO (IN PEKING) DOES SERIES ON "HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHINA" (WP 10/9-10/11; NYT). SEES PE-KING'S "SUBTLE BUT REAL" CONTROLS EVIDENT IN ONE CHINESE'S HABIT OF SHOWING POSTAL CLERKS LETTER HE HAS WRITTEN RELATIVES IN JAPAN; NOTES PEKING SHARPLY RESTRICTS PEASANT TRAVEL TO CITIES; POINTS OUT EVEN PRINTING "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY" WALL POSTERS CAN BRING EXECUTION.

MATHEWS (WP HK 10/9) RECOUNTS EXPERIENCES OF COUPLE WHO FOLLOWED "GANG OF 4," WERE FORCED PUBLICLY TO DENOUNCE THEIR PAST/RADICAL LEADERSHIP. SAYS "GANG OF 4" UNLIKELY EVER TO HAVE FORMAL TRIAL; LIKE "WATERGATE CONVICTS," WILL PROBABLY BE EVENTUALLY SENT TO RELATIVELY COMFORTABLE WORK CAMP FOR FORMER HIGH OFFICIALS.

GLOBE/WP (10/9) CARRY BRODER DISPATCH FROM LHASA. FINDS IT WONDERFUL PLACE TO VISIT. FINDS POTOLA BANNER EXHORTING GREATER WORK EFFORTS IN MAO/HUA SPIRIT FITTING SYMBOL OF ANCIENT THEOCRACY/NEW COMMUNIST STATE THAT "CO-EXIST SO UNEASILY" THERE.

14. AUSTRALIA
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MACARTHUR (LAT ANT 10/7) WRITES ABOUT AUSTRALIAN DEBATE
REVOLVING AROUND URANIUM MINING/ABORIGINES. NOTES W/IN
DECADE IT IS EXPECTED URANIUM MINES WILL BE EXPORTING
1.5 BIL DOLS ANNUALLY, W/15 MIL DOLS OF IT GOING TO
ABORIGINES--SINCE ALL MINES W/IN TRAD ABORIGINAL LANDS.
FINDS CERTAIN QUARTERS NOW CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT WILL
HAPPEN TO NATION'S 140,000 ABORIGINES. ON PAPER, GOVT
ENVISIONS DETAILED PROGRAM TO CREATE VASTLY EXPANDED
RESERVATION AREA/NATL PARK, RESTRICTING MINING TO VERY
LIMITED AREA/KEEPING MINING TOWNS SMALL. MONEY TO BE
CHANNELLED TO ABORIGINES THRU TRIBAL COUNCILS, HEALTH/ED
PROGRAMS. VANCE

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